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Mr Tom T. Wilson &  
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Dear Friends:

I am writing to enclose a copy of a letter I received this morning from Syd. Pollock. It is a letter I know the press would love to see, but I am only sending it to you too, hoping you will feel as I do and take some steps to prevent this sort of thing from continuing. If each member of each league had a list of players belonging to each team, and were officially notified of trades when they were made, this sort of thing could not happen.

Imagine a team as strong as The Grays, being able to "borrow" a man, and even from the other league, to make a fight like they made to win the penant,

The damage has been done for last year, but wont you take some steps to prevent this sort of thing from happening this year? After all the fight in our 1 leagues may always be tight, and if things like this are permitted, any one who has something to offer to a team not in the fight can pull anything. Aside from that angle it just is not right.

My congratulations on your reelection to office. I hope this year will see greater progress for our great enterprise under your guidance. It is not only one of the biggest businesses of our race, but means so much to the fans who support us, being one of the few ~~things~~ by which Negroes can seek real recreation without being hampered.

Sincere wishes for a happy holiday, and continued success in 1945.

Very Truly Yours